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In re United States Patent Application of:)	Docket No.:	020884-000007
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Title:	METHODS FOR THE IN VITRO)		
	DIAGNOSIS AND PROGNOSIS OF)		
	DEMYELINATING DISEASES, AND)		
	FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF)		
	DRUGS AGAINST)		
	DEMYELINATING DISEASES)		

**RESPONSE TO JANUARY 14, 2009 OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR A TWO-MONTH
EXTENSION UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a) IN U.S. PATENT APPLICATION NO. 10/596,857**

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Sir:

This responds to the January 14, 2009 Office Action in the above-identified application.

The claims of the application are set out in the following **Section I (The Claims)**.

Remarks addressing the substance of the January 14, 2009 Office Action are set out in the **Section II (Remarks)** hereof.